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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff.

DEONTE DESHAWN MORGAN,

Defendant.

CASE NO.

2:25-cr-0132 JAM

18 U.S.C. §§ 2251(a) and (e) – Sexual Exploitation of a Minor; 18 U.S.C. § 2253(a) – Criminal Forfeiture

INDICTMENT

The Grand Jury charges: THAT

DEONTE DESHAWN MORGAN,

defendant herein, on or about November 2, 2024, in the County of Sacramento, State and Eastern District of California, attempted to and did knowingly employ, use, persuade, induce, entice, and coerce a minor, "Minor Victim 1," with the intent that the minor engage in sexually explicit conduct as defined in Title 18, United States Code, Section 2256(2), for the purpose of producing one or more visual depictions of such conduct, and such visual depictions were produced using materials that have been mailed, shipped, and transported in and affecting interstate and foreign commerce by any means, including by computer, all in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 2251(a) and (e). ///

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FORFEITURE ALLEGATION: [18 U.S.C. § 2253(a) – Criminal Forfeiture]

- 1. Upon conviction of the offense alleged in this Indictment, defendant DEONTE DESHAWN MORGAN shall forfeit to the United States pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 2253(a), any and all matter which contains visual depictions produced, transported, mailed, shipped or received in violation thereof; any property, real or personal, constituting or traceable to gross profits or other proceeds the defendant obtained as a result of said violation; and any property, real or personal, used or intended to be used to commit and to promote the commission of such violation, or any property traceable to such property, including but not limited to the following:
 - iPhone 14, Serial Number: KH21Y5JTVL. a.
- 2. If any property subject to forfeiture as a result of the offense alleged in this Indictment, for which the defendant is convicted:
 - cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence; a.
 - has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third party; b.
 - has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the Court; c.
 - has been substantially diminished in value; or d.
 - has been commingled with other property which cannot be divided without e. difficulty;

it is the intent of the United States, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 2253(b), incorporating Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), to seek forfeiture of any other property of said defendant, up to the value of the property subject to forfeiture.

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MICHELE BECKWITH Acting United States Attorney A TRUE BILL.

/s/ Signature on file w/AUSA

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1	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
	Eastern District of California
	Criminal Division
	THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
	DEONTE DESHAWN MORGAN
	<u>INDICTMENT</u>
VIOLATION(S):	18 U.S.C. § 2251(a) and (e) - Sexual Exploitation of a Minor; and 18 U.S.C. § 2253(a) - Criminal Forfeiture
A true bill,	/s/ Signature on file w/AUSA
	Foreman.
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ofMay	, A.D. 20 25
	/s/ J. Murphy Clerk.
Bail, \$ No Proces	s Necessary

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<u>United States v. Deonte Morgan</u> Penalties for Indictment

VIOLATION: 18 U.S.C. § 2251(a) – Sexual Exploitation of a Child

PENALTIES: Mandatory minimum of 15 years in prison and up to 30 years in prison; or

Fine of up to \$250,000; or both fine and imprisonment Supervised release of at least 5 years and up to life

SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS:

\$100, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3013;

\$5,000 if the defendant is non-indigent, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3014(a)(3);

Up to \$50,000, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 2259A(a)(3).

FORFEITURE ALLEGATION

VIOLATION: 18 U.S.C. § 2253(a) – Criminal Forfeiture

PENALTIES: As stated in the charging document